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## **Prospective Plantings for Delaware**

**DOVER, DE** --- The Prospective Plantings report provides the first official, survey based estimates of U.S. farmers' 2019 planting intentions, according to Dale Hawks, State Statistician of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, Delaware Field Office. NASS acreage estimates are based on surveys conducted during the first two weeks of March from a sample of more than 82,000 farm operators across the United States.

Delaware's 2019 key findings in the report are:

- Corn planted area for all purposes is estimated at 170 thousand acres, unchanged from last year.
- **Soybean** planted area is estimated at 170 thousand acres, unchanged from last year.
- **Barley** planted area is estimated at 22 thousand acres, down 12 percent from last year.
- Winter Wheat area planted is estimated at 60 thousand acres, down 20 percent from last year.
- Hay area harvested is estimated at 13 thousand acres, unchanged from last year.

For the complete "Prospective Plantings" report, go to: <a href="https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/x633f100h">https://usda.library.cornell.edu/concern/publications/x633f100h</a>

The "Prospective Plantings" report and all other NASS reports are available online at <a href="https://www.nass.usda.gov">www.nass.usda.gov</a>.

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